

House Resolution No. 2033

Whereas, as the 2002-2003 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the DeSoto 73 School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty in June 2003 with the retirement of Mary Ellen Gadell who has devoted many years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Mary Gadell, a resident of DeSoto, Missouri, has taught English and mass media for twenty-five years at DeSoto High School, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Mary Gadell served as a Research Assistant at the National Society for Autistic Children in Huntington, West Virginia, for three years prior to assuming her current responsibilities at DeSoto High School; and

Whereas, Mary Gadell has supported her profession as a valuable member of the Missouri State Teachers Association; and

Whereas, Mary Gadell is also a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church and the Louisiana Purchase Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and

Whereas, Mary Gadell has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include one daughter and son-in-law, Susan and John DeKeersgieter; and three sisters, Patricia Sullivan Lukehart, Janie Sullivan Salinas, and Margaret Sullivan:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the DeSoto 73 School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Mary Gadell has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mary Ellen Gadell, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Wes Wagner
District No. 104

Representative Belinda Harris
District No. 110

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2033, adopted April 22, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker